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In re

Patent Application of

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Examiner: Lee D. Wilson

“CONNECTOR ARRANGEMENT FOR A
WIPER DEVICE ON MOTOR VEHICLE
WINDSCREENS”

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.104(e)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This communication is in response to the Examiner's Statement of the Reasons for Allowance of the claims, included with the Notice of Allowance, mailed May 10, 2010.

In the Reasons for Allowance, the Examiner indicates that the prior art fails to disclose or suggest features set forth in the allowed claims and recites a number of elements in support of this conclusion. As an initial matter, Applicant notes that, in the Reasons for Allowance, the Examiner has paraphrased language of the claims.

Applicant respectfully submits that the Reasons for Allowance represent only some of the independent reasons why independent claim 21 or independent claim 44 is allowable. In this regard, other independent reasons exist for allowability of each independent claim and provide additional and different bases for allowance of the claims.

Finally, Applicant respectfully submits that the subject matter of the dependent claims provides separate independent reasons for the allowability of each dependent claim.

The undersigned is available for telephone consultation during normal business hours at the below-identified phone number.

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